

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1947

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:00 P.M. of Wednesday, March 5, 1947, Councilmen Haskell, Lytle, Riggs and Rinn present on roll call.

Minutes of the last regular meeting of February 19 and the Special Meeting of February 26, 1947 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - Robert Blewett, Attorney for some sixty petitioners presented two petitions protesting against locating City dump grounds on the site under option from C. Vaccarezza north of the Mokelumne River and east of the Central California Traction Company railroad line. One of these petitions purported to be signed by residents North of the river, the other by residents South of the river. Mr Blewett spoke briefly on the subject and then filed both petitions with the City Council. Mayor Rinn assured the petitioners that the City would use the proposed site only after all other possible locations had been investigated and rejected and asked that the protestants assist the City in obtaining a location that would not be objectionable to neighboring property owners. Mr Blewett assured the Council of his clients willingness to cooperate in finding another place for refuse disposal.

Charles Kriegbaum, Adjutant of the local post of Disabled American Veterans presented the case of his organization in requesting a full one-third of the 50% allocation of the proceeds from midget auto and motorcycle racing in Lodi Stadium during 1947, stating that the charitable efforts of the D.A.V. should not be measured by their numbers as the Lodi post extended aid to many veterans not members of their organizations. He accepted the division proposed by the Hospital Association, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 17 1/2% of 50% of the proceeds for 1947 under protest.

H. E. Mahaffey, Proprietor of Lodi Transit Company, addressed the Council in regard to his application to the State Public Utilities Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the extension of bus line service to points outside the City limits of Lodi. Mayor Rinn requested Mr Mahaffey to have his attorney write a letter to the City Council stating the effect that changing from city control to state commission control would have on the City of Lodi. Mahaffey agreed to have such a letter ready for the next Council meeting.

Formal hearing was then had on the application of Zion Reformed Church for a variance to permit the erection of a church building on the Southeast corner of Hutchins and Oak Streets after proper publication of notice of such hearing was proven by affidavit. **VARIANCE OF ZION REFORMED CHURCH GRANTED** No persons appearing to object and no written protests having been filed with the City Clerk, it was directed, on motion of Councilman Haskell, Lytle second, and carried that this variance be granted.

It being proven that proper notice of a public hearing to be held at this time and place had been published, by affidavit of the principal Clerk of the Publisher of The Lodi Times, objections to the rezoning of all properties east of a line parallel to and two hundred feet distant westerly from the center line of "Pinkerton Avenue" were then invited. The City Clerk reported that no written protests had been received by him and on a call for oral protests, none were offered. It was then ordered that the City Clerk prepare and present an ordinance approving that this property be rezoned to be in the Industrial District Zone. **REZONING ALONG PINKERTON AVE APPROVED** In the matter of the rezoning of a lot on the east side of South Hutchins Street and north of Park Street, due publication of notice that a public hearing would be had at this time and place for the reception of objections to this lot being rezoned to be in the Commercial District Zone, was proven by affidavit. On a hearing being had, no protests were forthcoming and it was directed that this rezoning be approved by ordinance to be introduced at the next Council meeting.

REZONING PARK & HUTCHINS APPROVED Rezoning of the triangular parcel of property bounded South by Lockeford Street, West by California Street and Northerly by the Woodbridge Branch of the Southern Pacific Company was ordered after a public hearing at which no objections were presented, the ordinance approving this rezoning to Commercial Use to be presented for introduction at the next Council meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS -
S.B.E. State Board of Equalizations notice of the intended transfer of all alcoholic beverage licenses at 45 N. Sacramento Street from Turner to Morowit was read.
L.C.C. PROPERTY ASSESSMENT A letter from the League of California Cities explained the League's attitude toward uniform assessment of real and personal property and was further explained by Mayor Rinn.

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At 9:30 P. M. Councilman Tolliver appeared and took his seat in the City Council.

- On favorable report from the City Planning Commission, a " Use Permit " was granted to John Ferrero without hearing. to allow the construction of a brick commercial garage building on the North-west corner of Walnut and Cherokee Lane, subject to standard conditions imposed on other garage properties along this highway.
- FERRERO
USE PERMIT
GRANTED
- The City Planning Commission recommended that West Vine Street be opened from Lee Avenue to South Hutchins Street, either by negotiation with the two property owners involved or by district assessment proceedings. The City Engineer and the City Clerk were directed to secure estimates of cost and ascertain the attitude of property owners.
- OPENING OF
VINE STREET
ADVOCATED
- A telegram and other literature advising the Council that surplus buildings were available for purchase at Chico airfield was received from War Assets Corporation
- W.A.A.
- The proposal of Country Club Spraying Service for application of spray to the Modesto Ash and Elm trees in the parks and along the streets was referred to Street Superintendent Bruner with instructions to have so much of this work done as he might deem necessary if the price was right.
- SPRAYING
ASH & ELM
TREES
- On the recommendation of City Engineer Henning. the Personnel Clerk was directed to prepare specifications for the classification of " Assistant Building Inspector " for approval by the City Council and the establishment of this position. Under the same recommendation, the Personnel Clerk was directed to conduct examinations to establish an eligible list for the position of " Clerk - Stenographer " from which, particularly, a secretary to serve the Building Department, the Plumbing Inspection Department and the Superintendent of Streets and Parks could be selected. Mr Henning also recommended that the 1946 edition of the Standard Uniform Building Code be adopted in lieu of the 1943 edition of this code adopted by Ordinance No 298.
- ASSISTANT
BUILDING
INSPECTOR
- ELIGIBLE LIST
CLK-STENO
ORDERED
1946 UNIFORM
BLDG CODE
- Lodi Lodge No 259, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, owner of Lot 1 in Block 4, Mokelumne on the Southeast corner of Pine Street and Pleasant Avenue submitted a written offer to dedicate the west five feet of this lot to the widening of Pleasant Avenue providing that the City would use a similar strip for this same purpose from Lot 8 in Block 3, Mokelumne on the west side of the City Hall. This proposal accepted by unanimous consent of all members of the City Council.
- WIDENING OF
PLEASANT AVE
AT PINE STREET
APPROVED
- At this time, letters from the American Lutheran Church of Lodi and from Zion Reformed Church protesting against the erection of a gasoline service station on the Northwest corner of Central Avenue and Flora Streets were read. Reverend Reuben Huenemann of the Zion Church addressed the Council in support of these protests. Mr Heunemann was informed that at this property is located in the Commercial District Zone, the City Council could not deny a building permit for a service station on this corner but that it was the agreed policy of the City Council, in view of the many encroachments made on available parking spaces, that from now on, the City would discourage the location of businesses, particularly gasoline service stations; in congested areas, by holding such businesses to the smallest amount of access from public streets compatible with the operation of such business or by such other means as might encourage their location in locations where parking is not at a premium.
- PROTESTS
VS SER STA
FLORA & CENT.
- POLICY OF
COUNCIL AS TO
SERV STATIONS
IN CONGESTED
AREAS
STATED
- REPORTS -
- Monthly reports of the Chief of Police, the City Poundmaster, the City Clerk on garbage collections, the City Engineer and the Superintendent of Parks and Streets were received and read. Recommendations and comments on conditions in the Street and Park Departments by Superintendent W. L. Bruner were laid over until the next meeting on account of the lateness of the hour.

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APPLICATIONS
FOR SEWAGE
DISPL. PLANT
CHIEF OPR. Eight applications for the position of Chief Sewage Disposal Plant operator were received through the cooperation of Dr J. J. Sippy of San Joaquin Local Health District and were referred to the City Engineer for examination and recommendation.

RES 1306
ADOPTED Addition of Project 18, Investigation of Traffic Conditions on State Highway 4, to the bi-ennial maintenance budget for expenditure of gasoline taxes on state highways was authorized by the adoption of Resolution No 1306 introduced by Councilman Lytle, Riggs second and carried by assenting votes of all members of the City Council.

STADIUM
1947 Further consideration of applications for the use of Lodi Stadium for the 1947 season brought on a motion made by Councilman Lytle, Haskell second, and carried, that use of the Stadium for such dates as not now covered by previous commitments and priorities be granted Lodi Memorial Hospital Association, Lodi Post of the American Legion and Lodi Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars in accordance with the provisions set forth in the application made February 12, 1947, the proceeds of the midget auto and/or motorcycle races conducted thereunder to be divided as also set forth in this letter and accompanying documents.

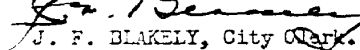
BUSINESS
LICENSES Business license applications submitted at the last meeting, as approved by the Chief of Police, were ordered granted. All applications received since that date were submitted, read and ordered referred to the Chief of Police in accordance with ordinance.

CLAIMS Claims in the amount of \$ 4435.40 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid.


EXECUTIVE
SESSION At 11:28 P.M. the City Council retired into executive session, returning to open meeting at 12:00 Midnight.

LETTER HENNING
TO ACKELS OF
GEN MILLS
APPROVED A letter written by City Engineer Henning to Alden Ackels of General Mills, Inc. stating rates, terms and conditions, so far as now determined, applying to water, electric, waste disposal and the handling of storm waters from that Company's plant was considered in detail and then approved for delivery

At 12:30 A.M. of Thursday, March 6, 1947, the City Council adjourned this meeting to and until 8:00 P.M. of Wednesday, March 12, 1947 on motion of Councilman Riggs.

Attest: 
J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk.

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held on Wednesday, March 5, 1947 were read at a subsequent meeting of said City Council held on the 12th day of March, 1947 and approved as above written


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LODI
March 12, 1947.